



California Department of Veterans Affairs

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(Please Forward this message to all interested Veterans.)

CDVA Announces Town Hall Meetings with Veterans SEPTEMBER 9 AND SEPTEMBER 24, 2004!

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA PERFORMANCE REVIEW

"We cannot afford waste and fraud in any department or agency. This unprecedented action will mean a total review of government; its performance, its practices, and its costs. Together with my dedicated team of experts, we will make California the first true 21st century government in America, a government that is as innovative and dynamic as the state itself."

--Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger
February 10, 2004

"This vision and determination for change has led to the creation of the California Performance Review. The initiative was previewed in Governor Schwarzenegger's budget summary and featured in his State of the State address. The ultimate goal of the California Performance Review is to restructure, reorganize and reform state government to make it more responsive to the needs of its citizens and business community. Only by demonstrating through concrete action the responsiveness of state government can the public's trust and confidence be regained."

--California Performance Review

As part of the California Performance Review (CPR) process, CDVA Secretary Tom Johnson would like to invite all interested veterans to attend one of two Veterans Town Halls sponsored by the California Department of Veterans Affairs.

The purpose of these town halls is to gather feedback and input concerning the CPR's recommendations regarding the California Department of Veterans Affairs.

The specific Recommendations are outlined in the Attachment A below. (If you have problems receiving or reading the attachment, please reply to this email and let us know. We will send you a longer email with all the relevant recommendations and Internet hyperlinks.)

The Northern California Town Hall will be held on **September 9th** in Sacramento. The meeting will be held from **10:00 am until Noon** in the Medal of Honor Hall in the **CDVA Headquarters at 1227 O Street in Sacramento**. Directions to the building are provided as Attachment B.

The Southern California Town Hall will be held on **September 24th** at the **West Los Angeles VA Medical Center, Room #1281**, 11301 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90073. (This is the large hospital and administration building, Bldg #500.) The California Veterans Board Meeting will take place in the morning, from 9:00 am until Noon, and the Town Hall will be held at the same location from **1:00 pm until 3:00 pm**. A tour of the future California Veterans Home site will take place from 3:15 - 3:45pm for anyone interested.

The entire CPR report can be viewed at the following internet website: www.cpr.ca.gov
<<http://www.cpr.ca.gov>>

We look forward to hearing your comments and opinions about the CPR's recommendations on September 9th and September 24th.

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